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[We must ask contributors to this department to make their reports as concise as possible, omitting all mention of regular routine business, and stating such facts as are of special interest to absent members or to the profession at large. The JOURNAL has already increased its regular reading pages from sixty-four to eighty, and it must keep within these limits. In order to do this all of the departments are being condensed to make room for our constantly increasing items of interest.—Ed.]

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NURSES' ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ OF THE UNITED STATES, TO BE HELD IN PHILADELPHIA, MAY 12, 13, 14, 1904

THE Executive Committee of the National Association has the honor to announce that the seventh annual convention will be held in Drexel Institute, Thirty-second and Chestnut Streets, West Philadelphia, and will be opened at one o'clock on Thursday, May 12, when the registration of delegates, the presentation of badges, and the payment of annual dues (ten cents per capita) will be in order, checks to be made payable to Tamar E. Healy, treasurer.

Each alumna association is privileged to send one delegate with one vote for every fifty of its members; those having less than fifty may send one delegate with one vote, and those having large memberships may send delegates with power to vote by proxy, providing their credentials show them to be entitled to cast such votes.

Permanent members, on presentation of credentials from their alumna associations, will be entitled to attend all general sessions of the convention and to participate in debate on professional and ethical subjects.

The committee would impress upon the delegates the importance of a previously acquired knowledge of the subjects to be brought up for consideration (as per the letter of the committee read at the April meetings of the alumna associations) and the necessity for prompt and close attendance during the entire session.

While the officers will not formally commence work until one o'clock, the secretary will be glad to register any delegates who may wish to present their credentials during the morning. With the railway stations so very near the Institute, and the Drexel students' lunch-room just across the street, much time may be easily conserved if those delegates who are in town will take advantage of this and register before one o'clock.

At two-thirty P.M. the convention will be called to order and the invocation made by the Right Reverend Ozi W. Whitaker, D.D., of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The welcome to Drexel Institute will be given by James MacAlister, LL.D., president of Drexel Institute, followed by an address by the president, Miss Mary M. Riddle.

The chairman of the Committee on Arrangements will make her report, after which the meeting will adjourn until Friday morning at ten o'clock.

From four to six o'clock a tea will be given by the Polyclinic Hospital Alumnae Association on the roof garden of the Nurses' Home, 1818 Lombard Street.

At eight-thirty in the evening a reception will be held at the Manheim Club, Germantown, by the Germantown Hospital managers.

Friday, May 13, from nine-thirty to ten, there will be an organ recital at the Institute.

At ten o'clock the adjourned meeting will be called, and after the roll-call the reports of officers and committees will be asked for, discussion thereon taking place in executive session.

After reports from the State associations are made, the section on State organizations with its discussions will be conducted.

Immediately after adjournment, if not before, delegates and visitors in possession of certificates (and every one attending the convention is asked to procure a certificate, even though she does not care for it, as it will help the secretary out in making her total) will kindly hand them in for the agent's inspection and call for them that same evening.

At four o'clock Girard College will be visited by permission of the trustees, and at eight o'clock a dinner will be given by the alumnae associations of Philadelphia.

Saturday, May 14, the adjourned meeting will be called at ten o'clock, unfinished business, new business, and the section on central directories being the order of the day.

At four o'clock an automobile trip will be made around Philadelphia and the Park.

The committee would remind all nurses that they are most cordially invited to attend all general sections of the 1904 session of the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States.

MARY E. THORNTON, Secretary.

NEW YORK STATE MEETING

THE annual meeting of the New York State Nurses' Association was held in Albany, April 19, 1904, the president, Miss Annie Rhodes, in the chair.

The usual order of business was proceeded with, and the reports of the officers and of the chairman of each committee were submitted. Miss Rhodes made an impressive and forceful address, emphasizing the importance of registration and urging the members to make application at once. She also suggested that a badge or pin, in which the letters "R. N." should be very conspicuous, be adopted by the association. This was later put to vote and carried, and a committee was appointed to select the design and report at the October meeting.

The Association of Graduate Nurses of Northern New York and the Alumnae Association of the Albany Hospital invited the officers, delegates, and individual members of the association to a luncheon at the New Kenmore. At the afternoon session a vote of thanks was given these associations for the delightful entertainment and then the new business of the day was proceeded with.

The amendment of the by-laws was found to consume so much time that only Article II. and the clause referring to the Board of Examiners could be voted upon.

The following officers for the coming year were elected: President, Miss Annie Damer, Buffalo; first vice-president, Mrs. John B. Ledlie, Saratoga Springs; second vice-president, Miss M. E. Cameron, New York; secretary, Miss Margaret Sutherland, 219 West Eighty-third Street, New York City; treasurer, Miss Amanda Silver; trustees—Miss Annie Rhodes (to finish Miss Dock's term), Miss A. R. Young; candidates for Board of Examiners—Mr. L. Bissel Sanford, Mr. Charles Sears; members of the Executive Committee elected from the floor—Miss Poole, Albany; Miss Keating, Buffalo; Miss Rundell, New York.

After a vote of thanks to the retiring officers for their services during the past year, and also for the gavel which had been presented by them to the association, the meeting adjourned to meet in New York the third Tuesday in October, 1904.

JESSIE MCCALLUM, Secretary.

JUSTICE TO MRS. GRETTTER

IN the April number of the JOURNAL we published an article entitled "Ethics of Nursing," giving the author as Miss Frances M. Quaife, superintendent of the Touro Infirmary, New Orleans, La. We have since had our attention called to the fact that this article was published in the *Harper Hospital Bulletin*, of Detroit, Mich., April, 1901, having been read at the meeting of the Farrand Training-School Alumnae April 3, 1901, by Mrs. L. E. Gretter, principal of the Farrand Training-School.

Miss Quaife makes no attempt to deny that the article was copied, but claims to have seen it in an old paper, the writer's name not being given, and says she did not know it was against our "rules" to accept copied articles. It is not a question of rules, but of simple honesty and courtesy, that should make a writer quite as careful not to use another person's material without giving credit as she would be not to sign another person's name. We regret that the article must remain in the April number accredited to Miss Quaife, and not to Mrs. Gretter, to whom it properly belongs.

THE directors of THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING Company have issued the following circular letter to the superintendents of training-schools:

"DEAR MADAM: The directors of this company are now making a strong effort to effect a substantial increase in the number of subscribers to THE JOURNAL OF NURSING. In order to secure the desired results we need your personal interest and influence. Through the officers and pupils of your school and your graduate nurses remarkable opportunities are open to you, and we believe that the subscription-list can be largely increased through your suggestion and advice. We feel that the interest of the pupil nurse in her future work and responsibilities can in no better way be aroused, the pride of the graduate nurse in the growth and welfare of her profession in no better way be stimulated, than through the pages of the JOURNAL, which keeps her fully informed on all such subjects.

"Every nurse should own it and read it. It is throughout the work of nurses; it is succeeding; it is doing in many ways splendid work. In many ways, however, we are anxious to improve it, and this can only be done through an increase in subscriptions.

"We make an urgent appeal to you, therefore, to bring this matter before your pupils and others under your government, and to take vigorous measures to arouse in them a fresh interest.

"We have written to the presidents of such alumnae associations as we have knowledge of, asking their active coöperation in this matter. If we have failed to reach in this way the alumnae association of your school, will you also kindly bring the matter before them at an early date. Yours faithfully,

"ISABEL MCISAAC, President;

"A. D. VAN KIRK, Secretary."

REPORT OF THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR NURSES

In the *NURSING JOURNAL* of March there appeared an account of the proposal by the president of the Spanish-American War Nurses to take a party of ex-army nurses to serve in the Japanese war. On February 11 the Japanese Minister at Washington was officially informed that war had been declared and he at once cabled for instructions regarding that offer. The reply was embodied in the following letter, received by Dr. McGee:

"LEGATION OF JAPAN,

"WASHINGTON, February 16, 1904.

"MADAM: In reference to your offer of the services of a party of American ex-army nurses to assist in nursing the sick and wounded of the Japanese army, I have now received a telegram from the Minister for Foreign Affairs informing me that the Red Cross Society of Japan is prepared to accept their services with full appreciation of the high motive which animated you to make this offer. In doing so, however, I am asked to say the society wishes to suggest that you come over to Japan with a few nurses, as you proposed, leaving the others to be cabled for if the actual necessity should call for such a step, as in the opinion of the society it is still uncertain that such an occasion will present itself.

"I have the honor to be, with high consideration, respectfully yours,

"K. TAKAHIRA."

It is understood, however, that of the many offers of personal assistance which the Japanese received, the only one so far accepted is that of the Spanish-American War Nurses. Dr. McGee received many applications from trained nurses wishing to go with the party, but as one of the chief reasons for the acceptance of her offer by Japan was that all the nurses composing the party had had practical experience in the field hospital of our army, it was impossible to consider others.

The general self-reliant attitude of the Japanese may be seen from their refusal of the services of so famous a surgeon as Dr. Nicholas Senn, of Chicago. He has written Dr. McGee about her party as follows: "I am glad you are taking the necessary steps to send trained nurses, as in case of prolonged war they will be needed. You may count on my support in this undertaking."

The nurses composing the party are volunteers, and no salary whatever is received, although an arrangement for coöperation with the Associate Society of the Red Cross of Philadelphia was effected by which the travelling and incidental expenses of the party are borne.

As only one of the nurses composing the original party of five was from Philadelphia, at the request of the Red Cross the number was increased to ten—that giving a larger representation from Philadelphia.

The Japanese Government agrees to furnish quarters and subsistence while in Japan. Though the party goes under the provisions of the Geneva, or Red Cross, treaty, it is necessary to serve in and to be neutralized by one of the belligerent parties.

Dr. McGee has received a rare courtesy from our government in being given a special passport and letter such as are given officers of the United States army or navy who have been ordered to witness the operations of war.

An invitation had been received to travel on the last Japanese boat, the Iyo Maru, but, unfortunately, the party was detained by land and snow-slides in crossing the Rocky Mountains, and the boat was obliged to sail without them.

Their enforced wait in Seattle has been made delightful by the hospitality shown them there and from being guests in the pleasant homes of the city. Numerous entertainments and receptions have been tendered them. The nurses comprising the party are:

Miss Minnie Cooke, graduate from the Methodist Hospital, Philadelphia. Miss Cooke served for two years in the Municipal Hospital, Philadelphia. She entered the army in December, 1898, serving in the Seventh Army Corps in Cuba. She served both in the army hospitals, nursing yellow fever, and in the surgical wards of Military Hospital No. 1, Havana.

Mary E. Gladwin, graduate of Buchtel College, Ohio, and from the Boston City Hospital, where her diploma was taken *cum laude*. Miss Gladwin was for nearly a year at the Relief Station of Boston doing emergency work, and resigned her position as superintendent of Beverly Hospital, Beverly, Mass., to join the party for Japan. During the war Miss Gladwin was chief nurse at Sternburg Hospital, Chickamauga, and at Macon, Ga. In 1899 she went in charge of the nurses on board the Sheridan to Manila.

Alice Kemmer, graduate of the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium of St. Louis, entered the United States army August, 1898, going with the Seventh Army Corps to Cuba. Later Miss Kemmer started for Manila, but her orders were changed and she was sent to Tientsin and Peking, China. From there she went to Manila in May, 1901, and while in Manila Miss Kemmer received the unique distinction of honorable mention in orders from the Commanding General, she having relinquished a leave of absence to care for three cases of smallpox.

Ella B. King, graduate of Jefferson Medical College Hospital, Philadelphia, entered the service in October, 1898, and served more than three years in various hospitals of the United States and the Philippines.

Elizabeth Kratz, graduate of Blockley, Philadelphia, entered the United States army in 1898, serving in the United States and Cuba. Miss Kratz took a post-graduate course in the Women's Hospital of New York. She left the position of head nurse in the Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Del., to become the assistant superintendent of the Meadville Hospital, but was called from the latter post to nurse smallpox in the Municipal Hospital of Philadelphia.

Adelaide Mackereth graduated from the Medico-Chi. of Philadelphia. She entered the army in the fall of 1898, going with the Seventh Army Corps to Cuba. In 1899 she sailed for the Philippines, where in Iloilo she had charge of the operating-room until March, 1902.

Adele Neeb graduated from the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, where she remained as head nurse for six months. She entered the army in the fall of 1898 and went with the Seventh Army Corps to Cuba.

Sophia Newell graduated from Christ Hospital, Jersey City, N. J. She served at Fortress Monroe, Va., and Albany, Ga., during the war.

Genevieve Russell, graduate of Asbury Methodist Hospital of Minneapolis, Minn., entered the army in 1898 and went with the Seventh Army Corps to Cuba. In 1899 she sailed in charge of the nurses on the Logan for Manila. She was sent to Iloilo as chief nurse, where she remained until August, 1900. Returning to Cuba in 1901, Miss Russell served as head nurse and then as superintendent in the Civil Hospital of Havana and Cienfuegos. Returning to New York City in August, 1903, she completed a post-graduate course in the General Memorial Hospital of that city.

Intervals in the nursing history of these nurses were, of course, filled in by private work.

The party sailed from Seattle on the Shawmut April 1, and they will be met upon their arrival in Yokohama by a representative of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, who will give further instructions.

ANITA NEWCOMB MCGEE, President.

REPORT OF THE CLASS IN HOSPITAL ECONOMICS

To Miss Banfield, Chairman.

The Class in Hospital Economics, Teachers College, do respectfully submit the following report for March, 1904:

The weekly excursions have been to places of unusual interest: New York Hospital, new Mt. Sinai Hospital, Sloan Maternity, Vanderbilt Clinic, and College of Physicians and Surgeons.

Through the courtesy of Miss Maxwell we had the privilege of attending a surgical clinic, and two demonstrations given by the senior nurses at Presbyterian Hospital.

To the superintendents of the various training-schools and their assistants we are deeply indebted and most grateful, not only for the many courtesies and kindly spirit of helpfulness shown, but also for many valuable practical points gathered from their experience, which has been no small part of our instruction here.

The patience and forbearance with the many questions of the class (for which we have a merited reputation) have been phenomenal.

The extra lectures for the month in place of work with Dr. Wood, whose health, we regret very much, is still keeping him in Arizona, were two lectures by Dr. Jelffe on nervous disorders, and a nurse's special duties in caring for such patients. Dr. Jelffe believes that nurses taking up this special work should, besides being otherwise well qualified, having a thorough understanding of psychology.

The other lectures were by Dr. Bastedo on methods of presenting the subject of *materia medica* to a class of nurses, supplemented by a visit to his laboratory at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Many valuable suggestions were given, the aim being to gauge how much of the "dead wood" of this voluminous subject may be cut out, and how to make the subject interesting and at the same time of value to the nurse.

Several of the class took advantage of the short Easter vacation by visiting training-schools and other points of interest in and about Boston. All are planning and looking forward with pleasure to attending the Associated Alumnae meeting at Philadelphia in May.

COMMITTEE OF STUDENTS.

[Miss Alline's report is practically a duplicate of the above with the exception of the closing paragraph, which is given verbatim.—Ed.]

"The only regret of a serious nature is that of a depleted treasury. The present sum on hand is not sufficient to cover outstanding bills. It certainly is a good work, as shown by the demand for it, but a structure without a foundation seems anything but permanent. Every advance in the work is another step in the dark. This is the fifth class to graduate. The work has grown in every particular excepting financially. Respectfully submitted,

"ANNA L. ALLINE.

"March, 1904."

STATE MEETINGS

CANADA.—A mass-meeting of nurses was held in St. George's Hall, Toronto, on Saturday, April 2, at two P.M. Delegates from London, Hamilton, Ottawa, St. Catherines, Woodstock, Stratford, Sarnia, and several other places were present, with a good representation from the various city hospitals. Mrs. Pafford, president of the Alumnae Association of Toronto General Hospital, was in the chair.

It may be remarked in passing that Mrs. Pafford has done more to arouse interest in matters relating to the organization of nurses than any other woman in Ontario. The society of which she is president has doubled its membership during her term of office, and she has been the means of inducing nurses of sister schools to organize.

Mrs. Pafford in a brief address laid before the meeting the objects of the society which the meeting had been called together to organize, and introduced Miss Damer, of Buffalo, who in a clear and interesting address told what has been done in New York State, from the initial step to the passing of the bill requiring State examination and registration of nurses. She urged the nurses of Ontario when they should have got a bill passed to register at once.

Dr. Helen Macmurchy followed and told of the benefits to the medical and legal professions from Provincial registration.

Miss Snively, Toronto General Hospital, was the next speaker. She spoke of the two attempts at legislation for nurses which have already been made in Canada, and urged the necessity for unity of purpose in the next attempt to be made, and concluded by moving a resolution to the effect that a society of the graduate nurses of the Province of Ontario be formed. This was seconded by Miss Hollingsworth, of St. Catherines, and agreed to unanimously by the meeting. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Elizabeth Campbell Gordon, Emergency Branch of Toronto General Hospital; first vice-president, Miss Wartman, Kingston; second vice-president, Miss Rice, Ottawa; secretary, Miss Julia Stewart, 12 Selby Street, Toronto; treasurer, Miss J. Hamilton, 481 Church Street, Toronto. JULIA STEWART, Secretary.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—On March 16 the Louisiana State Nurses' Association was organized at New Orleans. The small number of schools in the State simplifies the question of membership, making it individual.

The ultimate object is State registration, which will not be as difficult to obtain in States where the standard is less uniform, no school represented having less than a two-years' course with general hospital work.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Miss F. M. Quaife, graduate New York Hospital, superintendent Toronto Infirmary, New Orleans; first

vice-president, Miss K. Dent, graduate New Orleans Sanitarium; second vice-president, Miss L. B. Walsch, graduate Charity Hospital, New Orleans; secretary, Miss L. M. Bushey, graduate Cleveland Training-School for Nurses; treasurer, Miss M. Mackenzie, graduate Hotel Dieu, New Orleans.

MICHIGAN.—A meeting of the graduate nurses of the State of Michigan will be held in Detroit May 10, beginning at nine-thirty A.M. The place of meeting is Chaffee Hall, corner of Willis and Woodward Avenues. The meeting is called for the purpose of forming a State association of nurses and to consider a plan for State registration. A large attendance of nurses is desired. Hon. W. H. Maybury, Mayor of Detroit, will deliver an address of welcome. Addresses will be given by Judge C. A. Kent and Dr. J. H. Carsten on "State Registration." It is desired that each nurse will come prepared to state her views on this subject.

NORTH CAROLINA.—The Board of Examiners of Trained Nurses of North Carolina will meet for the examination of applicants at the Olivia Raney Library Building, Raleigh, N. C., at eleven-thirty A.M., May 24, 25, 1904. Applicants will please send their names to the secretary by May 21. Private boarding places will be secured for those who so desire.

M. L. WYCHE, Secretary and Treasurer.

NEW YORK STATE.—The first examinations in practical nursing will be held in New York State in New York, Albany, Syracuse, and Buffalo on June 21, 1904. Full particulars will be given in the June number of this JOURNAL. (See October, 1903, number, pages 52, 53.)

NORTH CAROLINA.—The second annual meeting of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association will be held in Raleigh, N. C., May 26, 27. The exercises will be held in the Olivia Raney Library Building.

REGULAR MEETINGS

NEW YORK.—The Association of Graduate Nurses in Manhattan and Bronx held a regular meeting on April 11 at the League for Political Education, the president in the chair. The attendance was larger than usual. This was particularly pleasing, because many of the nurses who were present are engaged on private duty, and so often find it difficult to attend the meetings. Yet one of the primary reasons for forming this association was to provide some place where the large number of nurses who are not graduates of New York schools, but who are engaged in private practice in this city, might meet regularly and discuss subjects of interest in our profession and keep in touch with all advancement. Recognizing the difficulties in the way of the private nurse attending meetings, we have tried to arrange the time of our meetings in the afternoon, during the hours the nurse on private duty is more apt to be free, and we are correspondingly pleased when advantage is taken of this opportunity. Seven applications were recommended by the Membership Committee. Miss M. L. Daniels and Miss A. S. Bussell were elected delegates to the State Society. The list of candidates for office in the State association was voted upon, and the delegates instructed to cast the seven votes of the association in accordance with this ballot. They were also instructed as to the views of the association in regard to the revision of by-laws in the State association, but were left free to vote as the occasion required.

ORANGE, N. J.—The regular meeting of the Association of the Orange Alumnae was held on March 16, at 449 Main Street. The meeting was opened by the president, Miss Margaret Anderson, about thirty members answering to the roll-call. An announcement was read from Miss Margaret Pierson, the president of the Training-School, that she would be "At Home" the last Wednesday of every month, and would be glad if any of the graduates would drop in for a cup of tea. Eight new members were elected. Announcement was made of the marriages of Miss Heckel and Miss McGlashan. Reference was made to the anti-tuberculosis movement recently started in the Oranges, and as the committee had requested the coöperation of the alumnae a member was chosen to represent the association in furthering the advancement of this work. Two delegates were elected to attend the convention of the Associated Alumnae, to be held in Philadelphia in May, and the alumnae will be represented by two members at the Berlin convention in June, one as delegate for the New Jersey State Nurses' Association. Dr. Frank C. Bunn kindly gave a most interesting and instructive illustrated talk on the X-ray which was thoroughly appreciated by all, after which the meeting adjourned and a pleasant social time followed.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The Graduate Nurses' Association of Indianapolis, Ind., elected officers for 1904 as follows: President, Miss Johnson; vice-presidents, Misses Earnest and Corliss; secretary, Mrs. Belk-Brown; assistant, Miss Gerard; treasurer and registrar, Miss Hale. Late in the year 1903 money was subscribed by most of the members of our association for the furnishing of a room in the Indianapolis City Hospital for use of the members of our association in case of sickness. On February 22, 1904, the Indianapolis Association entertained at the Grand Hotel the Indiana State Association. During the entire day at least one hundred nurses attended. Luncheon was served at noon, to which seventy-four nurses sat down. It was a very enthusiastic meeting. A movement is now being made to have our association incorporated. Many interesting talks have been given during the past year by physicians or others interested in our work, most of which have been from a professional point of view. At the March meeting Dr. Rebecca R. George read a paper, and at the close of the meeting the president, Miss Johnson, served tea. Miss Johnson leaves in April for a four-months' visit in California.

CHICAGO, ILL.—The monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Illinois Training-School for Nurses was held on Thursday, April 7, at the Nurses' Home, with Miss Sophia F. Palmer, editor of the *JOURNAL*, officers of other local associations, and their delegates to the Associated Alumnae as guests. Forty members were present and twenty guests. The western officer, Mrs. E. B. Hutchinson, presided, and a most interesting and profitable afternoon was passed. The purpose of the meeting was the instruction of delegates on the questions to come before the Associated Alumnae in May. Miss Palmer gave some interesting information on the subject of the *JOURNAL*, its origin, its present field, and its future. A majority were in favor of the Associated Alumnae making an effort to own the *JOURNAL* this year, and about one hundred dollars was subscribed by individual members in a short time. Other subjects discussed were the proposed amendment on membership, or eligibility, to the constitution and the advisability of admitting State associations and local clubs to membership. After the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed, during which light refreshments were passed.

BROOKLYN.—The annual meeting of the Long Island College Hospital Alumnae Association was held on April 12, when there was a good attendance. The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Miss Davids; first vice-president, Miss Grace Slingerland; second vice-president, Miss Young; recording secretary, Miss Sargent; corresponding secretary, Miss Clara Hall (163 Congress Street); treasurer, Miss Burdick; directors—Miss Elizabeth Hall, Miss Johnson, Miss Charlotte Arnold, Miss Ida L. Sutcliffe, Miss Jessie E. Wiley. The annual report shows that the first year of the new registry has been most successful in every way. Congratulations were given to the president, Miss Davids, and the committee for their very good work by Miss Sutcliffe, who, to the regret of all, was present for the last time as superintendent of the Training-School. Three new members were proposed. During the year forty-three new members have been admitted, making a total of one hundred and sixty members. Miss Davids and Miss Sargent were chosen as delegates to attend the convention of the Associated Alumnae to be held in Philadelphia in May. The meeting then adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA.—The eleventh annual meeting of the Alice Fisher Alumnae of the Philadelphia Hospital was held at the Club-House, 804 Pine Street, on April 4, 1904. In the absence of the president the first vice-president, Miss Malloy, took the chair. A fair attendance made the meeting very interesting, and all present were filled with the spirit of business. It was decided to make application for readmission to the Associated Alumnae. The advisability of a directory at the Philadelphia Hospital for the benefit of their alumnae was discussed. It was resolved that monthly meetings be held at the Club-House on the first Monday of each month at three P.M. Miss Malloy, the delegate to the meeting of the State Nurses' Association held in Pittsburg in October, and also to the meeting in Harrisburg in January, presented an entertaining report. Refreshments were served, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Malloy; first vice-president, Miss M. Lewis; second vice-president, Miss A. Wrigley; secretary, Miss Anna Rindlaub; treasurer, Miss M. A. Hayes; Executive Committee—Miss H. Buckman, Miss E. M. Gainor.

NEW YORK.—The Alumnae Association of the New York City Training-School held its regular meeting at the Academy of Medicine, 17 West Forty-third Street, on Tuesday, April 12. The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Silver. Then followed the reading of the minutes of the last meeting by the recording secretary, Miss Grace Forman. The financial secretary, Mrs. Clinton Stevenson, was very busy receiving annual dues. A report of trustees' meeting was read by Miss Rosetta Forman, secretary of that board. Dr. Charles E. Quimby was introduced and gave a most interesting lecture on fevers. The routine business was then taken up, but, unfortunately, a number of nurses had been obliged to leave. After the meeting the nurses adjourned to the banquet hall. The refreshments which followed were a donation from Miss M. C. Muldoon.

WEST CHESTER, PA.—The Chester County Nurses' Association held a special meeting on Friday afternoon, April 8, at three o'clock, in the lecture-room of the Chester County Hospital. The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Constance Curtis, of the Phoenixville Hospital. The minutes were read by the secretary, Miss Elizabeth Schelly, of the Chester County Hospital. After the reading of the minutes the vice-president, Miss Julia King, of the Chester County Hospital, read the constitution and Code of Ethics, which were approved and

signed by all present. A very interesting report of the State meeting held in Harrisburg was read. After the transaction of some other minor business the meeting stood adjourned. The next meeting will be held on the first Thursday in June (second), at the Phoenixville Hospital.

NEW YORK.—The adjourned stated meeting of the New York County Nurses' Association was held on Tuesday evening, April 5, at the Laura Franklin Hospital, Miss Silver in the chair. There was a goodly attendance of delegates and visitors, the Executive Committee especially demonstrating its realization of the responsibility resting upon it, nine of its members being present. New York City nurses should avail themselves of this opportunity to get in touch with nursing affairs by making application for membership at once. The next meeting is to be held on the first Tuesday of May, at eight o'clock in the evening, at the New York City Training-School, Blackwell's Island. Members and guests should be at the boat-landing, foot of East Fifty-second Street, a few minutes before eight o'clock.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Jewish Hospital, Philadelphia, held its annual meeting on Tuesday afternoon, April 5, in the lecture-room of the hospital. Ten members were present. After the routine business was transacted the election of officers took place with the following result: President, Miss McCoy; first vice-president, Miss Altshuler; second vice-president, Miss O'Sullivan; secretary and treasurer, Miss Halsey. The alumnae will give a banquet to the graduating class on May 24 at eight P.M., and it is hoped that our distant members will attend. The State society work and that of the Associated Alumnae were discussed briefly, and the meeting adjourned to enjoy a "Birthday Feast" provided by the members.

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the University Hospital was held on Monday, April 4, 1904, the president, Miss Rudden, in the chair. The usual routine of business was transacted and interesting discussions took place on the following subjects: State Association meeting to be held at Wilkes-Barre, April 20 and 21, 1904; the convention of the Associated Alumnae in Philadelphia, May 12, 13, and 14, 1904, and the International Congress in Berlin in June, 1904. Contributions to the "Endowed Room Fund" come in very slowly, and delinquent members are requested to send in their subscriptions before the annual meeting in June. The meeting was well attended. After adjournment, coffee and cake were served.

BROOKLYN.—A well-attended regular meeting of the Mt. Sinai Alumnae Association took place in the Ladies' Auxiliary room of the Mt. Sinai Hospital on April 7, at two-thirty P.M. Seven new members were admitted and four new candidates proposed. Miss Bertha Kruer, of 635 Park Avenue, was appointed treasurer of the Ellen Robinson Fund. Miss G. Greenthal was appointed delegate to represent the association at Philadelphia in May at the convention of the Associated Alumnae, Miss Bertha Kruer being alternate delegate in case Miss Greenthal cannot attend. The resignation of the association from the State organization was withdrawn, and it is still, therefore, a member of that body.

NEW YORK.—A very interesting meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association of the New York Post-Graduate Hospital was held at the Margaret Fahnestock Training-School on April 5. The following delegates were appointed for the coming meetings: To the State meeting in Albany, Miss Jacobus, Miss Fraleigh, Miss Selden; to the National meeting in Philadelphia, Miss Ehrlicher and Miss Van Zandt; to the International meeting in Berlin, Miss Ehrlicher. A very pleasant euchre party was given at the Training-School in February for the benefit of the fund for sick nurses. The proceeds from this entertainment, with dues, etc., gives the fund a start of considerably over two hundred dollars.

CLEVELAND, O.—The Graduate Nurses' Association held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 29, the president in the chair. Miss F. F. Wright, delegate to the State Convention, held in Cincinnati in January, gave an interesting account of what has been accomplished, after which Dr. George W. Crile read a very instructive paper on "Nursing in Operations in Private Houses," which was greatly enjoyed by all present. Three new members were admitted to the association, Mrs. L. G. Thurman, Miss Isabel Clohecy, and Miss Gertrude McKenzie. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Dr. Crile, after which the meeting adjourned to the last Tuesday in April.

DENVER, COLO.—The Graduate Nurses' Association held its fifth annual meeting at the Young Women's Christian Association Building on March 7, 1904. Roll-call showed a membership of seventy-four. After the reports of the past year's work were read, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss L. G. Welsh; vice-president, Miss L. M. Fowler; secretaries, Mrs. M. J. Thurston and Miss L. Perrin; treasurer, Miss W. A. Donaldson. Dr. T. E. Taylor addressed the meeting. The question of State registration is being considered.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—The regular meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae of the Buffalo Hospital, Sisters of Charity, met at the hospital on April 13, at three p.m. After the usual items of business were disposed of Miss H. Greaves, the secretary, read a very interesting paper, "A Nurse's Experience during the Typhoid Fever Epidemic in Butler, Pa." The Board of Directors and committees were appointed. After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served and the association was entertained by the Senior Class of 1904, and a very pleasant hour was spent socially.

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular meeting of the Alumnae of the Woman's Hospital was held at 1227 Arch Street, April 13, 1904. There was a large attendance, and letters were received from several regretting their inability to be present. The meeting was called to order by the president at four p.m. The minutes were read and new business discussed. After adjournment those present were entertained by Miss Hannum by an afternoon tea. An invitation was received from Dr. Seabrooke to hold the June meeting at the Woman's Hospital.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Alumnae of the Pennsylvania Hospital held its stated meeting in the Nurses' Home on March 17. The principal topic discussed was the convention of the national association. The members of the alumnae look forward to meeting many old friends and making many new ones, and feel

assured the nursing world will be given an impetus by the discussions of the national association.

BOSTON.—The Alumnae Association of the Boston and Massachusetts General Hospital Training-Schools for Nurses gave a dinner to the Class of 1904 at the regular monthly meeting, which was held at the Copley Square Hotel on March 29. A goodly number were present, and all agreed that the social event was a decided success.

DETROIT.—At the annual meeting of the Farrand Training-School Alumnae, Harper Hospital, the following officers were elected: President, Emily A. McLaughlin; first vice-president, Rose Smith; second vice-president, Melissa Collins; treasurer, Elizabeth McClaskey; secretary, Lulu E. Durkee.

PHILADELPHIA.—In the absence of a quorum the Philadelphia County Nurses' Association held no meeting Wednesday, April 13, 1904.

MARRIED

ON April 7, in Washington, D. C., Miss Alice Witman, of Washington, to Dr. John Martin Taylor. Miss Witman is a graduate of the Johns Hopkins Training-School, Class of 1902, and since graduation has been head nurse of the surgical operating-room and of a private ward in the hospital. Dr. Taylor was formerly on the hospital staff for a short period, but for several years has been practising in the far West.

AT Syracuse, N. Y., on March 17, 1904, Alice A. Williams, graduate of the Central New York Hospital for Women and for a number of years superintendent of the Women's and Children's Hospital of Syracuse, N. Y., to Charles E. Capron, of Suffield, Conn.

MARCH 13, at Gregory, Tex., Miss Nellie J. Hobbs, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital Training-School, Class of 1900, to Mr. George Miller, of Gregory, Tex., and formerly of Markham, Ontario, Canada.

ON Wednesday, March 30, 1904, Miss Mina May Reed, graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Class of 1893, to Dr. Charles Leonard Wakeman. Dr. and Mrs. Wakeman will reside in East Branch, New York.

OBITUARY

It was with deep regret that the Alumnae Association of the Hartford Hospital learned of the very sudden death of Miss Lilian C. Catlin, which occurred at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Fuller, Hartford, Conn., on March 27, 1904, of pneumonia.

Miss Catlin graduated from the Hartford Hospital in the Class of 1885, and much of her private work was done in Hartford, though for a few years she was with Dr. Howard Kelley in Baltimore. She was a charter member of the Alumnae Association and thoroughly devoted to its interests.

At a special meeting of the Alumnae Association the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That we as an association have lost a sincere friend and the profession a highly esteemed member.

"*Resolved*, That we sincerely sympathize with her family in their bereavement.

"*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and to THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

"MARTHA WILKINSON,
"MARY ROGERS,
"LUCY WAX."

At the Marcus Hospital, New York City, Miss Jessie J. Brumbaugh, of State Line, Pa.

Miss Brumbaugh was a graduate of the Maryland General Hospital, Class of 1902. She was a capable and dutiful nurse and endeared herself to her patients, friends, and classmates by her bright and genial disposition.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Maryland General Hospital Training-School Alumnae Association:

"WHEREAS, Death has removed from our circle a most esteemed member:

"*Resolved*, That we, the members of the Maryland General Hospital Training-School Alumnae Association, extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family.

"*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased member, and also that they be recorded on the minutes of the association.

"ELSIE FERGUSON,
"V. LORENTZ,
"L. FASBURG,
"Committee."

AFTER a lingering illness, borne with her characteristic fortitude and patience, Miss Agatha Crofton passed peacefully away on Tuesday morning, March 15, 1904, in Yuma Valley, Arizona, aged twenty-seven years. Miss Crofton was a graduate of Lakeside Hospital, Chicago, Ill., of the Class of 1899, and was a most successful nurse in private practice until her illness began, two years ago. Her gentle, loving disposition won her friends among all with whom she came in contact. Her body, accompanied by her brother, was taken to her home in Lindsay, Ontario, Canada, for interment.

OF typhoid fever, at the House of Mercy Hospital, Pittsfield, Mass., on Tuesday morning, January 26, 1904, Miss Ellen MacDarby, thirty-one years of age.

Miss MacDarby was a graduate of the Class of 1898 of the Bishop Memorial Training-School for Nurses belonging to the House of Mercy Hospital. She had been caring for a patient who was sick and died with typhoid fever. She went without rest to another patient and worked on until utterly unable to do more. She died after an illness of less than three weeks.
